

THE TRUTH ABOUT THE POLE

(Special Aerogram to The News from North Pole Itself.)

Latitude 90, Sept. 15, '29
TO THE NEWS, U. S. America—I have been discovered, as you guessed. And I am not in the least embarrassed, although it has never happened before. Your inquiry is the first addressed to me, and I wish to thank you for appreciating that I would like some say in the matter, along with Doctor Cook, Lieutenant Peary, the Eskimos, the dogs and the barrels of gumdrops carried by Doctor Cook.

I am at work on a volume entitled "How It Feels to be Discovered," which I hope to have finished by the time the first Popular North Pole Excursion—\$75 68 round trip—reaches me. But meanwhile, I will give you the facts briefly.

Both claimants are right.

Both Cook and Peary discovered me.

The only reason they didn't discover each other discovering me, was that they approached me from different sides.

I hid each explorer from the other!

And while Cook was tacking his American flag to my one side, Lieutenant Peary was nailing his to the other.

So intent were they on their tasks they did not hear the hammering—but they will when they get back to their homes. (I understand the knockers are out in force with their own hammers.)

Therefore, I would suggest that the honors be evenly divided between the two—and a joint lecturing tour be arranged by the gentlemen interested.

Yours coolly,

THE NORTH POLE.

N. B.—The report that I am twins is grossly exaggerated.

The recent storm at Galveston which was the first severe test of the new sea wall, built to protect the city after the calamity of 1900, is the subject of an interesting illustrated article in the October Popular Mechanics. Had it not been for the wall the damage would undoubtedly have extended far into the city, carrying in its wake death, as well as property destruction. The great wall extends along the city's water front for 17,593 feet, or 3 1/3 miles, and its top is 17 feet above mean low water of the Gulf, or 1 1/3 feet higher than the highest point reached by the flood that was driven over the city by the 1900 hurricane. The wall proper is 5 feet thick at the top and 16 feet thick at the base, built on a foundation of piles that are driven 43 feet into the ground. In front of the wall for 27 feet seaward a massive bed of granite rip-rap, 3 to 7 feet thick, provides a further protection to the foundation. The wall itself, calculated to resist by itself the shock of waves and hydrostatic pressure, is backed by sand filling extending inland far enough to provide a walk 13 feet wide and a driveway 38 feet wide.

AIRSHIPS NOW AS CHEAP IF NOT SO POPULAR AS AUTOS

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—It is predicted that airships, as to price, will before long be within the reach of people of small means. Even now, when flying machines are novelties, they are not so high-priced as automobiles. The actual cost of the monoplane, motor included, is said to be about \$600. By duplicating the parts in manufacture this will be greatly reduced. It is a fair presumption that within two or three years some of the more popular machines will be selling as low as \$250. Moreover, it is claimed by those who may speak with considerable authority, that the management of these machines will not be difficult. Any ordinary person, it is stated, may learn how to handle a monoplane or a biplane in a few trials. When we recall the halcyon days of the bicycle—when we recall the time when nearly everybody and his wife and children rode a bicycle—we shall be able to form some idea of what the sky will look like when everybody, or nearly everybody, steers an airship.

At the present moment there is practically no legal means of regulating the conduct of the aviator in the air. Aviation has created a new condition, and this new condition calls for new laws. Presently all sorts of questions will arise in the air that will have to be dealt with on terra firma, and if they are to be dealt with intelligently, consistently and conclusively, in a legal way, they must be dealt with through legislation designed to meet the emergency.

The former prime minister of China has been sent the yellow cord—which is a polite way the Chinese have of telling him to go off and Oslerize himself.

The Orange City News

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Editor

Orange City, Sept. 28.—Mr. Robert Fenn is located in the Orange City hotel for another year as proprietor. Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Gilbert are at home in their new cottage, at the corner of Leavitt and French avenues.

A card from Mrs. Isenman, at DeLand, says she and her son, and Miss Butler are in DeLand for the winter, have been there a week. Her son will enter Stetson. Orange City will miss these people this winter; they made a good many friends here last season.

Mrs. George Wright, of Elton, N. Y., was a pleasant caller in Orange City Saturday on her way to Smyrna, where she expects to meet friends who live in Lake Helen and spend a short time at Coronado Beach. Mrs. Wright came South to accompany two young girls that Mrs. Ruff took North with her last Spring to spend the summer, expecting to come home with them this fall, but as Mrs. Ruff was ill and passed away up there, the girls were left without an escort, so Mrs. Wright kindly saw them safely home.

Mr. Wendle Hickey, his mother and aunt, Mrs. McBryer, all returned from Vermont Saturday evening. They spent the summer in their old home. They have several nice little cottages here on Volusia avenue.

A committee appointed by the East Coast Conference of the Congregational church of Florida, consisting of Dr. James Conway, Rev. J. C. Halliday and Rev. H. H. Jones of New Smyrna, met at the parsonage last week and completed the work given them for the association, which meets in the Orange City church on November 17. All are cordially invited to come.

We counted 11 buzzards all sitting on the Library Tuesday morning. Ned Smith, colored, says it is the sign of a big storm coming.

Mr. R. M. True, of Washington, D. C., the gentleman that is at the head of the Experimental station for the government, arrived Monday evening to inspect Mr. Hood's work at this camp station. He is stopping with Mr. Hood.

Miss Alice Ryland has been staying since Friday in Enterprise with a sick friend until she received her trained nurse, who arrived Tuesday, so Alice returned Tuesday evening.

Miss Irene Scott is now staying in DeLand and attending Prof. Beclars school. She is taking typewriting and stenography.

Miss Grace Heebner, of Lansdale, Pa., is in DeLand again at Stetson. She came over here last evening and got her pony and cart and took it over there; she will have that so she can come over to the Heebner home when she wants to. Mr. and Mrs. Heebner will be here in November.

We understand Mrs. Heebner and Miss Grace contemplate going round the world another year.

Mr. H. Waters passed away Saturday evening at 10 o'clock of consumption. Undertaker Allen had charge of funeral. He embalmed the body and took it to his undertaking rooms, and is holding it there waiting to hear from his sisters in the North. If they are not heard from by Thursday, the remains will be laid to rest in DeLand Cemetery beside his brother who passed away several years ago in DeLand.

We had an exceedingly nice service in the Congregational church Sunday morning. Dr. Conway preached a very interesting sermon on "Christian Socialism" the music was very nice.

Mrs. Jane Lewis is so she is out again, very much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Fuller did not arrive until the 23d, they were delayed on account of accident. Mr. Fuller says that when they came through Nebraska it was snowing hard and the next day they had three feet of snow there. That don't sound good for September. He says California is all right to visit, but to live in he prefers Florida. He saw Mr. Austin, Mr. Lancaster, Mr. Maynard, and Mrs. Dr. Hammond. All seemed to be prosperous and like the country. They were all residents of Orange City a few years ago. We were glad to hear from them so direct.

We went through Mrs. Tucker's new house with her yesterday and she explained how it will be when finished. There are 8 rooms, beside closets in every sleeping room, all modern improvements. It will be very convenient and nice. Then we went on to Mrs. Hood's new residence and she took us through her house. This is a house of 12 rooms and it is fine—no nicer than Mrs. Tucker's, but larger. It is lighted

by gas and has all modern improvements. These houses are an ornament to Orange City.

The way cattle are allowed to run the streets is disgraceful to all concerned; they are destroying property and making sidewalks dangerous to walk on. It is singular that Orange City has to be pestered this way, while other towns impound the cattle and keep them off the streets. Whose fault is it?

HOOK WORMS

Hook Worms in the South are responsible for all the ills to which flesh is heir. If you see a man setting on the buzzard roost by the post office, you may know he is troubled with Hook Worms. If you see a boy with tallow face and lazy, give him epsom salts and thymol, and he will soon be ruddy and run his legs off looking for a job.

The South—and our Northern friends whose chief desire is to help the downtrodden South—are Hook Worm crazy. The papers are full of Hook Worms, the doctors who are paid by the government to "investigate things" find that 18 and .6743 per cent of all the people of Georgia, Florida, South Carolina and Tennessee are affected. Hook Worms cause that tired feeling, that dark brown taste in the mouth, that lame feeling between the shoulders, and the good Lord only knows what else.

In a recent issue of a popular magazine we find the following from one of the noted doctors:

Effect Upon the Mind.

The effect upon the mind of such infection is quickly apparent. Interest in affairs, even the commonest, wanes. In severe cases there is a noticeable delay in answering simple questions; frequently the patient repeats each question before answering "What's your name?" one asks of an infected boy.

"What's —my—name?" he draws, staring stupidly.

"Yes, what is your name?"

"My—name's—John—ny Jones."

After taking a few cents worth of thymol and Epsom salts in the next few weeks, the boy responds quickly:

"What's your name?"

"Johnny Jones."

Thus is indicated the character of the change that comes to these anemic people. They grow stronger, they tire less easily, their minds are more active, they take an interest in things to which they had never given a thought, they are more careful in the ordering of their simple affairs and their clothes, they strive to be clean. The transformation of a home is surprising; the yard is cleaned, the stock and poultry penned, the fences mended, the house repaired and scrubbed, and all the work about the place is done with more energy and avidity.

The above is taken from an article consuming—the word "consuming" is used advisedly—several pages. According to the figures published in this article, DeLand should have about 97.6 cases of Hook Worms. Has she got her share? Let us see:

DeLand has one of the two laboratories in the State. The one in DeLand is operated by one of the most reputable physicians in the country—by a man who was taught in his youth that a lie was not only wrong but was unwise. The laboratory in DeLand, operated for the past dozen years or more, and making analyses for physicians all over Florida, has discovered one case of Hook Worm, and that in a DeLand youth.

The Hook Worm, like the grins of old, the devil with his fiery furnace of brimstone and other interesting combustibles, exist mostly in the minds of government-paid doctors, who ought to take epsom salts and thymol and get rid of 'em.

If you see a man making love to a woman in public it's a sign she isn't his wife.

Couldn't Happen at Stetson

A well-known business man attended the daughter's commencement exercises at an Eastern college recently, says the Ladies' Home Journal.

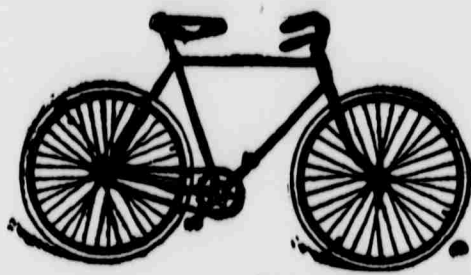
He had been greatly pleased with the beauty and dignity of the exercises and was discoursing to his wife upon the refining influences of college life.

Suddenly his impressive monologue was cut short.

A girl, in cap and gown, came dashing down the steps of the main hall, waving her diploma and shouting:

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